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**Amendments to the Claims:** 

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the

application:

**Listing of Claims:** 

Claims 1-11 (cancelled).

Claim 12 (currently amended): A composition comprising:

(a) an alkyl and/or alkenyl oligoglycoside;

(b) [[an]] at least one dicarboxylic acid monoester salt, anionic surfactant, foam

stabilizer selected from the group consisting of dicarboxylic acid monoesters, dicarboxylic

acid monoester salts, and mixtures thereof alkali metal salts, alkaline earth metal salts,

ammonium salts, alkylammonium salts, alkanol ammonium salts and glucammonium salts,

wherein, the monoester comprises the residue of a C<sub>6-22</sub> fatty alcohol; and

(c) optionally, at least one active ingredient selected from the group consisting of

cosmetic active ingredients, pharmaceutical active ingredients, and mixtures thereof.

Claim 13 (previously presented): The composition of claim 12 wherein the foam stabilizer

is a monoester of a C<sub>2-12</sub> dicarboxylic acid.

Claim 14 (previously presented): The composition of claim 12 wherein the foam stabilizer

is a monoester of a dicarboxylic acid selected from the group consisting of oxalic acid,

malonic acid, succinic acid, maleic acid, fumaric acid, glutaric acid, adipic acid, pimelic

acid, azeleic acid, sebacic acid, dodecanedioic acid, and mixtures thereof.

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Claim 15 (cancelled).

Claim 16 (cancelled).

Claim 17 (previously presented): The composition of claim 12 wherein the foam stabilizer

is a monoester of adipic acid with a C<sub>12-18</sub> fatty alcohol.

Claim 18 (currently amended): A process for enhancing the dermatological and ophthalmic

mucous membrane compatibility of a cosmetic and/or pharmaceutical composition [[by]]

which comprises adding to the composition an effective amount of a surfactant mixture

containing:

(a) an alkyl and/or alkenyl oligoglycoside; and

(b) [[an]] at least one dicarboxylic acid monoester salt, anionic surfactant, foam

stabilizer selected from the group consisting of dicarboxylic acid monoesters, dicarboxylic

acid monoester salts, and mixtures thereof alkali metal salts, alkaline earth metal salts,

ammonium salts, alkylammonium salts, alkanol ammonium salts, and glucammonium salts,

wherein, the monoester comprises the residue of a C<sub>6-22</sub> fatty alcohol; and

(c) optionally, at least one active ingredient selected from the group consisting of

cosmetic active ingredients, pharmaceutical active ingredients, and mixtures thereof.

Claim 19 (previously presented): The process of claim 18 wherein the foam stabilizer is a

monoester of a C2-12 dicarboxylic acid.

Claim 20 (previously presented): The process of claim 18 wherein the foam stabilizer is a

monoester of a dicarboxylic acid selected from the group consisting of oxalic acid, malonic

acid, succinic acid, maleic acid, fumaric acid, glutaric acid, adipic acid, pimelic acid, azeleic

acid, sebacic acid, dodecanedioic acid, and mixtures thereof.

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Claim 21 (cancelled).

Claim 22 (cancelled).

Claim 23 (previously presented): The process of claim 18 wherein the foam stabilizer is a monoester of adipic acid with a  $C_{12-18}$  fatty alcohol.

Claim 24 (previously presented): The composition of claim 12, wherein, both (a) and (b) have matching alk(en)yl groups.

Claim 25 (previously presented): The process of claim 18, wherein, both (a) and (b) have matching alk(en)yl groups.

Claim 26 (previously presented): The composition of claim 12, wherein, a weight ratio of (a):(b) is from 5:95 to 95:5.

Claim 27 (previously presented): The composition of claim 26, wherein, the weight ratio of (a):(b) is from 10:90 to 90:10.

Claim 28 (previously presented): The composition of claim 27, wherein, the weight ratio of (a):(b) is from 25:75 to 75:25.

Claim 29 (previously presented): The composition of claim 18, wherein, a weight ratio of (a):(b) is from 5:95 to 95:5.

Claim 30 (previously presented): The composition of claim 29, wherein, the weight ratio of

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(a):(b) is from 10:90 to 90:10.

Claim 31 (currently amended): The composition of claim 30, wherein, the weight ratio of (a):(c) (a):(b) is from 25:75 to 75:25.